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Report Highlights:

The European Commission has published a Regulation which defines the Basmati rice varieties from India and Pakistan which are eligible for a €250 tariff reduction. The new list removes Pakistan's "Super" and India's "Pusa" varieties. The government of Pakistan was strongly opposed to this move which will effectively prevent the only commercially grown Basmati variety in Pakistan from being exported to the EU.

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The Commission Regulation which removes Pakistani's 'Super' variety and India's 'Pusa' variety from the list of Basmati varieties eligible for the €250/MT tariff abatement entered into force on January 1, 2004.

The full text of this Regulation can be found at:

[Commission Regulation \(EC\) No 2294/2003](#) of 23 December 2003 amending Regulation (EC) No 1503/96 on the detailed rules for the application of Council Regulation (EC) No 3072/95 with regards to import duties on rice

Or via:

http://europa.eu.int/eur-lex/en/archive/2003/L_34020031224en.html

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